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Disposition of Properties Acquired by State Extension Services
With Section 2 Farm Labor Funds

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The enactment of Public Law 40, 80th Congress, requires that the Emergency Farm Labor Program be terminated by December 31, 1947, and that liquidation be completed not later than January 30, 1948. It is desirable to give early attention to the liquidation of property purchased with Section 2 farm labor funds allocated to State Extension Services. Recognizing the grant-in-aid character of Section 2 farm labor funds and in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 (c) of the "Cooperative Agreement for Extension Work in Farm Labor Supply and Distribution," the Secretary of Agriculture has authorized the State Extension Services to sell such property acquired with Section 2 farm labor funds as may be surplus to their needs. The following procedures have been developed as a guide for State Extension Services in carrying out this responsibility:

1. All property acquired with Section 2 farm labor funds apportioned to the States and not needed for continued use in cooperative agricultural extension work shall be sold by the State Extension Services at the most advantageous price obtainable.
2. In the case of farm labor camps, buildings, and equipment useful for the housing or feeding of agricultural workers, the State Extension Services, in determining the most advantageous price obtainable, shall take into consideration the responsibilities to be assumed by the purchaser if the purchaser is a public or a semipublic agency, or a nonprofit association of farmers who will agree to utilize the property for the purpose of housing or feeding persons engaged in agricultural work. Proposals for sale of such property at other than the most advantageous price shall be forwarded to the Federal Extension Service for approval in advance of sale. Such proposals shall include: (a) Location of property; (b) kinds and amounts of property involved; (c) purchase price and contribution made by State Extension Service and employers; (d) present condition; (e) prospective purchasers, price offered by each, and purpose for which each would use the property; and (f) recommendations of the State Extension Service regarding sale.
3. Funds received from the sale of Extension farm labor property shall be credited to the State Extension Service Section 2 farm labor account and shall remain available for expenditure in the farm labor program to January 30, 1948. Such collections and reimbursements will, in effect, reduce future payments of Section 2 farm labor funds to States, thereby increasing the amount otherwise remaining unexpended at the end of the liquidation period.
4. Representatives of the Federal Extension Service will check inventories of the State Extension farm labor property to insure that all property purchased has been accounted for and that proper credits from sales have been made to the farm labor account.

These procedures supersede those included in EFL Circular No. 29, May 1945.

